

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
TYLER DIVISION**

JOHNATHAN ROY RIDGE,

Petitioner,

v.

GREGG COUNTY SHERIFF and
GREGG COUNTY,

Respondents.

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Case No. 6:22-cv-273-JDK-KNM

**ORDER ADOPTING REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION
OF THE UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

Petitioner Johnathan Roy Ridge, proceeding pro se, filed this case alleging civil rights violations pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. The case was referred to United States Magistrate Judge K. Nicole Mitchell for findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendations for disposition. Upon reviewing the initial filing, Judge Mitchell construed the complaint as a habeas petition pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2241. Docket No. 3. On August 16, 2022, Judge Mitchell issued a Report and Recommendation recommending that the Court dismiss this case without prejudice for want of prosecution. Docket No. 5.


This Court reviews the findings and conclusions of the Magistrate Judge de novo only if a party objects within fourteen days of service of the Report and Recommendation. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). In conducting a de novo review, the Court examines the entire record and makes an independent assessment under the law. *Douglass v. United Servs. Auto. Ass’n*, 79 F.3d 1415, 1430 (5th Cir. 1996) (en banc),

superseded on other grounds by statute, 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) (extending the time to file objections from ten to fourteen days).

Here, Petitioner did not object in the prescribed period. The Court therefore reviews the Magistrate Judge's findings for clear error or abuse of discretion and reviews the legal conclusions to determine whether they are contrary to law. *See United States v. Wilson*, 864 F.2d 1219, 1221 (5th Cir. 1989), *cert. denied*, 492 U.S. 918 (1989) (holding that, if no objections to a Magistrate Judge's Report are filed, the standard of review is "clearly erroneous, abuse of discretion and contrary to law").

Having reviewed the Magistrate Judge's Report and the record in this case, the Court finds no clear error or abuse of discretion and no conclusions contrary to law. Accordingly, the Court hereby **ADOPTS** the Report and Recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge (Docket No. 5) as the findings of this Court. This petition for habeas corpus is hereby **DENIED** and this action is **DISMISSED** without prejudice.

So **ORDERED** and **SIGNED** this 3rd day of November, 2022.


JEREMY D. KERNODLE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE